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Tim,

Here are two new Patents that are now on the WEB that look to be invented before the one that I was working on. This art would make my Patent void.

US Patent 6,118,776 held by Vixel

and

US Patent 5,751,715 held by Gadzoox.

Tim Could you give me a call when you get a chance.

Thanks

Ed Fiore